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## **City Set to Adopt Budget**

City of Goodyear officials are preparing to approve the budget for the next fiscal year, which runs July 1 to June 30, 2015.

The budget process began with a retreat in November where the mayor and City Council set priorities and policy direction. Since that time, a number of public meetings have taken place to review the Capital Improvement Plan, key department base budgets and programs, and estimated revenues and expenditures.

"The mayor, council, and management team are diligent about having a fiscally sound, balanced budget," said Finance Director Larry Lange. "We remain cautiously optimistic as our revenues have slightly exceeded our projections and Goodyear continues to grow. We're in good shape."

Recently, a budget forum allowed residents to comment on the city's budget priorities

for the coming year. Residents also will have an opportunity to comment at upcoming City Council meetings. The tentative budget adoption is scheduled for May 19, and final budget adoption on June 23.

To provide input or stay informed about the city's budget meetings and reports, visit the Transparency in Government webpage at www.goodyearaz.gov/transparency.



#### Goodyear **City Council**

Top row (left to right): Vice Mayor Joe Pizzillo, Sheri Lauritano, Joanne Osborne, Bill Stipp. Bottom row (left to right): Wally Campbell, Mayor Georgia Lord, and Sharolyn Hohman



#### **Council Calendar**

May 12	5 p.m. 6 p.m.	Work Session Council Meeting
May 19 Immediate		.CFD Meeting Work Session Council Meeting
June 2	5 p.m.	Work Session
June 9	5 p.m. 6 p.m.	Work Session Council Meeting

June 16 Immediate	5 p.m. ely after	CFD Meeting Work Session
June 23	5 p.m. 6 p.m.	Work Session Council Meeting
June 30	5 p.m.	Work Session

Council meetings and work sessions are held at Goodyear Justice Center, 14455 W. Van Buren St. Visit www.goodyearaz.gov for all public meeting schedules and to watch Council meetings.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Goodyear has an online portal to the legislative activity of the City Council, boards, commissions, and committees.

This site provides quick, easy, and free public access to meeting documents such as agendas, minutes, calendars, legislation details, and videos.

Using the city's online legislative access program, Granicus Legistar, search for, archive, and set alerts for public documents. To find out more and access the user guide, visit www.goodyearaz.gov/legistar.

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## **Council Corner**



Councilmember Sheri Lauritano

Like every other city in the arid Phoenix metro area, effective stewardship of our water resources will define Goodyear's ability to thrive in the short and long-term future.

As a Council, we are very cognizant of this reality and are dedicated to meeting the needs of development and our citizens, while remaining mindful of our environmental responsibilities. To successfully balance these priorities, we continue to look for creative and proven ways to conserve and manage

our water resources, including implementing small-scale strategies like equipping our public restrooms with high efficiency plumping fixtures and large-scale policies like storing our reclaimed water for future use in times of drought shortages.

While our city continues to take a pragmatic approach, it is important that we, as citizens, join this important cause, especially as the summer heat approaches. One area where conservation awareness is particularly critical is in outdoor use. Use of water for landscaping purposes constitutes a staggering 60% of municipal water use in the valley. There are many strategies you can employ that will not only help our environment, but will help you increase your money saving water efficiency. These strategies include some of the following tips:

- Reduce evaporation by watering at cool times of day when winds are calm.
- Re-direct all lawn irrigation to growing grass rather than hard surfaces.
- Turn off your irrigation during rain. Leave it off for three days if more than ½ inch of rain falls. (Pick up a free rain gauge at City Hall to measure rainfall.)
- Adjust your irrigation schedule at least six times per year to correspond with seasonal weather patterns.

A responsible approach to water management is yet another way we as citizens and government can partner to ensure a high level of quality of life for our families. On behalf of the Goodyear City Council, I thank you for your care and consideration for our community.

For more tips on how you can conserve water inside and outside your home, please visit http://goodyearaz.gov/h2o365.



# **From the Mayor**



Mayor Geor<u>gia Lord</u>

Survey Results Gauge, Guide Us

Back in January, I asked all Goodyear citizens to take part in a survey that would gauge your feelings about living in Goodyear and the services we provide.

The survey, conducted on the city's behalf by the National Research Center in Boulder, Colo., was mailed to 3,000 randomly-selected residents. It

sought public input to questions relating to quality of life, the caliber of services residents are receiving, and opinion of its local government.

The surveys are in and the results are very pleasing, to say the least.

We are happy to know that almost everyone likes living here: 97 percent of the residents who answered the poll classified Goodyear as a good place to live. And 95 percent would recommend it as a place to live. Ninety-one percent of the residents are happy with the overall quality of life here.

Other answers that put a smile on our face: 92 percent feel safe in their neighborhood. Thanks in large part to an extraordinary public safety crew. Our fire and emergency services received a 95 and 94 percent approval rating, respectively; and our police department received an 88 percent.

Your answers not only let us know how you feel about living here, but also help us identify areas we can improve. The results also are used by me and City Council members to decide where to put future resources.

The survey, which is conducted every two to three years, also identifies demographics and establishes benchmarks to compare to other cities. When the next citizens' survey is done, it will serve as an analysis for revealing trends.

So a big 'Thank you!' to the 748 respondents that completed the survey, and letting us know how you feel. We want to make sure Goodyear is not a place where you have to live but a place where you want to live and are glad that you do.

# City Continues Proactive Approach to Ensure Water Supply

As water remains a precious but fragile resource in the region, the city of Goodyear remains proactive to ensure it continues to have an adequate, cost-effective supply for residents and future growth.

Not only does that approach depend on water conservation methods, but it includes determining the amount needed for future generations.

"Goodyear is a pro-growth community, and we have to have an adequate supply to serve the residents and development in the future," said Mark Holmes, water resources manager for Goodyear. "We are going to continue to increase efficient use of current water supplies, and with our new growth, water use will be more efficient."

By utilizing water rights to the Central Arizona Project (CAP) allotment - an amount that will be determined in the future - it will help the city move toward its goal of moving away from more costly groundwater (well) use.

The Arizona Department of Water Resources recently determined that Goodyear has enough water supply for demands in the near future, but the city plans to apply for CAP water and also look for other water sources. By 2019, the city will determine how much water could be needed by that time and how those committed demands compare to the city's water use.

"Making sure we have enough water is critical," Holmes said.
"It is needed for the continued prosperity of the community and will help serve future growth. By being proactive and closely monitoring our water use and using it wisely, we're doing the right thing," Holmes added.

# Want to help plan the city's water future?

# Then become a member of the Goodyear Water Planning Committee!

City of Goodyear water and sewer customers can join the Goodyear Water Planning Committee to help shape future resources and infrastructure. Residents and businesses are encouraged to submit an application starting May 5.

Committee members will review and provide recommendations for the expansion of the city's water system to support the future growth, its operation, and the financial impacts, including utility rates.

Meetings will be held at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month beginning Aug. 12 and continue until a recommendation is adopted by the City Council. This could take one year.

For more information on the committee or to apply, visit www.goodyearaz.gov/boardsrecruit.

Application deadline is June 6.



Read all about Goodyear's Water Quality beginning on page 12

### Strengthening Water Services

As water continues to become a valuable and more fragile resource throughout Arizona and the Southwest, the city of Goodyear is being proactive about continuing to provide its residents with high quality water and ensure an adequate supply of it for future generations.

With the cost of water and wastewater services increasing, the city is conducting a water rate study. In connection to the study, the City Council will consider a rate increase of up to five percent, effective January 2015. This would affect mostly residents living south of Interstate 10; residents living north of I-10 – who receive water services from Liberty Utilities – will not be affected.

In accordance with Arizona Revised Statute 9-499-15, Goodyear will hold a public hearing at its Justice Center/City Council Chambers, 14455 W. Van Buren Street, Suite B101 at 6 p.m. on June 23 to provide residents notice of the study and possible rate increase.

The possible rate increase will be in line with forecasted rising operating costs in the water and wastewater division that are necessary to ensure high-quality services to residents.

There are slightly more than 15,000 water customers in the city's service area. Residents currently pay \$1.18 per 1,000 gallons up to 6,000 gallons, and up to \$5.69 per 1,000 gallons when usage exceeds 30,001 gallons. Commercial customers pay \$3 per 1,000 gallons for up to 40,000 gallons, and \$6.24 per 1,000 gallons when usage exceeds 100,001 gallons.

For any questions, call (623) 882-7896 or email: anna.dizack@goodyearaz.gov



Summer's Coming — Don't Overdo the Watering

In the hot, arid
Arizona summer,
it becomes a
reflex to water
landscaping more
and more often.
But the reality is that
over-watering kills more
plants than under-watering
here in the Valley of the Sun.
When there is continually
wet soil, the roots of desertadapted trees, shrubs, and
succulents rot.

The key is to water less often and more deeply.

Drought-tolerant Bermuda grass survives the summer heat and thrives on being watered every two to three days; other heat-adapted plants need even lessfrequent watering.

For more information on water conversation tips and guides, visit www.goodyearaz.gov/h2o365 or call 623-932-3010.

Look on the back of the utility bill for a free watering guide.

Here's a quick review of how to water landscaping before the rains start (May-July):

Plant types	<b>Desert-Adapted</b> Watering Frequency	High Water Users Watering Frequency	Wet soil this deep in inches	
Trees	7-18 days	7-10 days	24-36	
Shrubs	7-18 days	5-7 days	18-24	
Groundcover / vines	7-18 days	2-5 days	8-12	
Succulents including cacti	14-25 days	na	8-12	
Annuals	na	2-5 days	8-12	
Bermuda grass	na	3-6 days	6-12	

# **Water Blooms Economic Development**

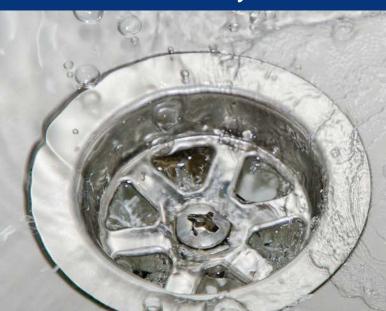
Just as water is needed to make flowers grow and bloom, so too does a city need water to grow and thrive. Water impacts every aspect of a city's growth. From new developments to business operations to recreational activities, water is an economic engine. Accordingly, the city of Goodyear takes water into consideration as part of the economic development planning to ensure that there are sufficient resources to maintain the city's current and future growth.

Goodyear is active in securing water and ensuring it is used responsibly and efficiently. In accordance with Arizona laws, before a home is built, it must have a 100 year assured water supply. To guarantee this requirement, Goodyear completed a comprehensive analysis to become a designated provider for this 100 year assured water supply requirement. City planners work with builders to make sure this mandate is honored. Similarly, the city works with businesses in the planning stages in order to balance water use with growing business needs. Also, in the city's design standards, landscaping is taken into consideration for new and existing developments. Goodyear encourages the planting of low water consuming flowers and plants to conserve water. Goodyear also treats wastewater at a state-of-the-art facility to the highest state-recognized water quality standards.

Goodyear is proud of its water and economic development planning, and strives to ensure there always will be adequate water resources for all that call this city home.



# Annual Sewer Rate Adjustment



City of Goodyear sewer customers south of Interstate 10 may see a rate adjustment this month. Every year, sewer bills are recalculated and adjusted based on water usage during the Winter Quarter Average (WQA) months of January, February, and March. The winter quarter is typically the time of year with the lowest water usage, therefore using these months to average the annual cost of sewer could save customers money.

Customers that disagree with the rate adjustment can file an appeal from June 1 to Aug. 31; some restrictions apply. If a customer chooses to appeal, the city will mail a decision within 30 business days.

For more information and a Sewer Fee Adjustment Self-Audit Form, call 623-932-3015, or visit www.goodyearaz.gov. Hard copies are available at Goodyear City Hall, 190 N. Litchfield Road. Mail the completed form to: City of Goodyear, Attn: Sewer Rate Appeal, P.O. Box 5100, Goodyear, AZ 85338.



A jump in the pool is a great way to cool down when the temperatures begin to climb. New pool owners quickly discover that owning a pool is not all fun and relaxation. Keeping a pool full, litter-free, and chemically balanced requires year-round attention.

Summer's long, hot days bring with it more expense for pool owners, due to higher usage and evaporation.

Recently, an Arizona State University intern compared the water usage over the last five years in a Goodyear community at homes with pools to those without them. The study found that a home with a pool used an average of 6,000 to 15,000 gallons more water each summer season.

If you're a pool owner, there are a few steps you can take to reduce your pool costs:

- Check for leaks using the simple bucket test described on www.goodyearaz.gov/h2o365.
- Check the auto-fill to ensure it is operating properly. These simple devices often break. Consider turning it off; filling the pool with a hose also makes it easy to catch a leak—before a high water bill arrives.
- Avoid backwashing too often. Check the chemical balance first. Unnecessary backwashing runs up the meter and bill.
- Ask plenty of questions before agreeing to empty a pool for maintenance. You pay for all the water to re-fill the pool. Emptying it just to re-fill it will not improve performance.
- BEFORE you drain your pool for maintenance, call 623-932-3010 to request a free, required Pool Draining Permit.
- Backwash and drain your pool ONLY to your sewer cleanout. It is illegal to let water run to the street.
- Shade your pool to reduce evaporation and make late afternoon swims more refreshing.
- Buy and use a pool cover. In cooler seasons, it will reduce evaporation on sunny days and extend your swimming season by keeping the water from cooling over night. Covering the pool before a dust storm can save water and maintenance too!
- Purchase a variable speed pump to reduce pool energy use by up to 80%. Check with your electricity provider for rebates.

# Residents Win with Grant Funding

Providing high quality services to 70,000 residents is no small undertaking. City officials are constantly looking for ways to fund important, citizen-centered projects while having the least financial impact to taxpayers.

One mechanism is grant funding. City staff rigorously pursues grant dollars from several sources, including: federal, state, and county governments; private organizations; and the Native American nations.

Although time-consuming, the process has yielded several coups for the city of Goodyear. Here's a sample of just a few grant-funded projects:

Amount: \$ 300,000

By Whom: U.S. Bureau of the Interior

When: Fiscal Year 2013-14

What: Goodyear was selected as one of two water providers in Arizona to improve management and conservation through the installation of five new injection wells. These sites will allow the city to put reclaimed water into – or "recharge" – the West Salt River Aguifer.

Amount: \$ 51,881

By Whom: Gila River Indian Community

When: Fiscal Year 2013-14

What: The Fire Department received funds to purchase tablets that will host electronic patient care reporting (EPCR). This technology allows information to be entered through a touch screen which immediately transmits to the hospital. Replacing the paper reports used by paramedics means saving time that is critical in life-saving emergencies.

Amount: \$ 16,000

By Whom: Tohono O'odham Nation

When: Fiscal Year 2013-14

What: The Police Department received a grant for two Segways, giving officers the unique ability to negotiate dense pedestrian traffic without interference and raise the their visibility about eight inches off the ground. They have been used to patrol spring training and special events.

Amount: \$ 589,670

By Whom: Maricopa County's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

When: July 2013

What: Replace aging waterlines and pavement, and install a storm sewer in the historic Goodyear neighborhood. The project will increase water pressure and fire safety, and reduce flooding conditions that occur on Loma Linda Boulevard. Construction will begin this summer.

For more information on grants, call 623-882-7806 or visit www.goodyearaz.gov/grants.

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# Friday, July 4 6-10 p.m.

# Goodyear Ballpark 1933 S. Ballpark Way

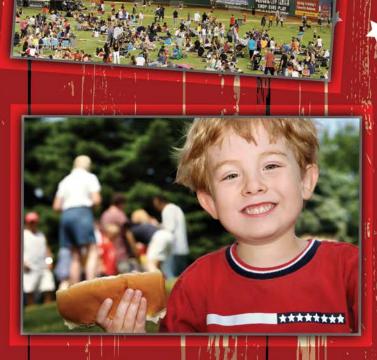
# Live music, food and fun for the whole family

Inflatable activities include wet and dry super slides, bounce houses and more

Prize giveaways throughout the evening

#### Air-conditioned suites available.

\$500 includes food and non-alcoholic beverages, VIP parking and ride wristbands. Maximum capacity per suite is 15 people.



# DON'T MISS THIS FAMILY FRIENDLY FREE EVENT

## Upcoming events at Goodyear Ballparks

May 17 - Blacklight Run

May 20 - Millennium High School Graduation

May 21 - Desert Edge High School Graduation

May 22 - Buckeye Union High School Graduation

May 23 – Estrella Foothills and Youngker High School Graduations

May 24 – 27 Perfect Game Tournament

June 5-8 - ABBA Tournament

June 6 – Movie Night at the Ballpark

June 13-17 Prospect Wire Tournament

June 20-July 4 - USA Baseball Tournament

For more information, visit goodyearbp.com or call 623-882-3120.

## **Safety Is Top Priority**

In January, the Goodyear Police Department took possession of five new Victory police motorcycles for its traffic unit, replacing the BMW models. The new bikes are one of the safest motorcycles currently manufactured for police work. The department is proud to be the first law enforcement agency in Maricopa County to utilize these state-of-the-art motorcycles.



Designed with law enforcement in

mind, these motorcycles have forged-steel crash bars to protect the rider and the bike from damage, and a full-length steel skid plate which allows the officer to jump curbs, ride up/down stairs, and over objects without causing damage. The bikes also are equipped with High Intensity Discharge (HID) headlights for better visibility, as well as pursuit pipes which are much louder than most motorcycles. The latter features add a layer of protection so officers are seen and heard when on the road.

Finally, the seating position and back rests are designed to support the rider, allowing for far less fatigue and injury to the back and knees for officers who spend upwards of 10 hours per shift on their bikes.

Designed in black and white to blend with the rest of the Goodyear police fleet, studies have shown that this color scheme is more noticeable by citizens, adding again to the visibility of the officer on the street.

The Goodyear Police Department is not only proud of the safety features offered by the new motorcycles, but also the cost savings. They come with an excellent warranty package and cost less to repair than the previous bikes.

For more information about the Goodyear Police Department, visit www.goodyearaz.gov/police or call 623-932-1220.



Please join us for the dedication ceremony of the new 911 Telecommunications Center.

Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting

Monday, May 19, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.

14455 W. Van Buren St. Bldg. F • Goodyear, AZ Public tours following ceremony until 7:00 p.m.

# Coffee with a Cop

You're invited to join police officers Webster and Nottingham for Coffee with a Cop, a quarterly event hosted at different locations around the city of Goodyear.

Residents are invited to enjoy free coffee and to meet with police officers and neighbors to share ideas, ask questions, and learn how to keep family and homes safe from crime.

Residents are the greatest resource in keeping neighborhoods safe and homes secure. Coffee with a Cop is an opportunity for citizens to meet with officers in an informal setting and talk about concerns.

Come join us any time between 8-10 a.m., enjoy a cup of coffee provided by the host and meet local police officers. Breakfast items available for purchase.

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

- Tuesday, May 20 at Oasis Bagels, 17650 W. Elliot Road, Goodyear, AZ 85338
- Wednesday, Aug. 20 at Starbuck's (inside Fry's Marketplace), 16380 W. Yuma Road, Goodyear, AZ 85338
- Thursday, Nov. 20 at Sugar N Spice Coffee & Tea, 14970 W. Indian School Road. #260, Goodyear, AZ 85395



## Goodyear Ballpark voted Cactus League's No. 1 spring training facility in USA Today 10 Best Travel Poll

Goodyear finishes second nationally in poll's first year

After a long, fierce and competitive battle of the spring training ballparks, thousands of fans can't be wrong.

Goodyear Ballpark – the spring training home of Major League Baseball's Cincinnati Reds and Cleveland Indians – has been voted as best place to see a spring training game in Arizona's Cactus League by USA Today's 10Best Reader's Choice Travel Poll.

Overall, Goodyear Ballpark – the crown jewel of the city which has been gaining notice on a national level for providing an experience for families and fans of all ages – also finished second nationally among Arizona and Florida spring training ballparks in the poll. The poll was spearheaded by the newspaper's longtime baseball writers Bob Nightengale and Paul White.

Goodyear Ballpark, which was completed in 2009 and seats 10,311, was also recently named the top "must see" spring training facility by National Public Radio's Pittsburgh station's travel reporter Elaine Labalme who traveled to spring training ballparks in both Arizona and Florida.

"This is quite an honor for Goodyear Ballpark,"
Goodyear Mayor Georgia Lord said of USA Today's
10Best poll. "We're proud to be recognized as the
number one ballpark in the Cactus League. I want to
thank the fans for voting us there."

This year marked the first year of the Best Spring
Training Facility category in USA Today's 10Best
Reader's Choice Travel Poll, an annual contest in the
largest newspaper in the United States. Readers and

fans were allowed to vote once a day for a month – from Feb. 24 to March 24.

Goodyear was edged out by Charlotte Sports Park in Port Charlotte, Fla. – the spring training home of the Tampa Bay Rays. Salt River Fields, the spring training home of the Arizona Diamondbacks and the Colorado Rockies located on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian community, finished third.

"They told us we ran a great campaign," said Debbie Diveney, business-operations supervisor of Goodyear Ballpark. "We tried to have fun with it – we even had fans voting live with us at the games – beginning with Mayor Lord urging the fans to vote during our opening weekend festivities on Feb. 28 – right up to the very end. It was a valiant effort on our part. Thanks to all the fans who participated. Wait 'til next year."

For more information about Goodyear Ballpark, call 623-882-3120, visit www.goodyearbp.com or 1933 S. Ballpark Way.

#### Follow the Goodyear Ballpark

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# Goodyear Ballpark Experiences Highest Grossing Year during Spring Training

With the Major League Baseball season underway, the 2014 spring training season in Goodyear now is another one for the books – the record books.

Goodyear Ballpark experienced its highest grossing year for ticket sales, concessions, parking and Team Shop combined - \$4.7 million in its sixth year with the Cleveland Indians and fifth year for the Cincinnati Reds. That amount was 1 percent more than last year when the ballpark grossed \$4.6 million.

Sponsorship and advertising around the ballpark also saw a notable jump – 19 percent from a year ago. The ballpark reeled in 57 sponsors, generating \$358,000 for the year.

Goodyear Ballpark also experienced a three percent jump in overall average game attendance – 4,564 – an additional 449 per game from a year ago. The Reds saw a nine percent increase from last year – 4,632, up from 4,256. Overall attendance between the Reds and the Indians was 136,922, a six percent drop from a year ago. However, that was expected by ballpark officials as there were three less games this year: 33 in 2013 compared to 30 this year.

Attendance for the Reds increased two percent from last year – 69,480, up from 68,102 last year.

Sales in the Team Shop also increased three percent from last year, and concession sales were up one percent from a year ago, said Bruce Kessman, first-year general manager for Goodyear Ballpark, who is closely looking at trends at the ballpark.

"It's been a very successful year," Kessman said, "We've already showed signs of growth in many areas. Now, it's how do we continue to build on the success we have and make them better?"

"My first year is just to evaluate the program and processes, learn the buying trends and then look where we can improve," Kessman added. "We're looking forward to next year."

Goodyear Ballpark would like to say 'Thank You' to all of its sponsors who greatly contributed during the 2014 spring training season.

## Volunteers Honored At Annual Event



The city of Goodyear celebrated its volunteers during the 7th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Celebration banquet on April 9 at Tuscany Falls in PebbleCreek. The theme was Night at the Oscars! and included prizes, contests, and a presentation highlighting the fine work and many contributions of volunteers.

The city volunteer program was created in 2007 and since then, has saved Goodyear nearly \$3 million. Whether working at Goodyear Ballpark, helping direct traffic for special events, keeping neighborhood streets and parks clean, serving on committees and commissions, or working in offices, the time and dedication of volunteers is extremely valuable. In the last 12 months alone, nearly 1,000 residents have served as volunteers, contributing more than 25,000 hours of service.

For more information or to volunteer with the city of Goodyear, visit www.goodyearaz.gov/volunteer or call 623-882-7807.

The city of Goodyear would like to express a special thank you to all of our volunteers!



#### **The Source of Your Water**

The city of Goodyear's drinking water source is 100% groundwater. The city has production wells, storage facilities, and pressure booster stations. The underground aquifer from which the city receives its water is called the West Salt Valley Sub-Basin. The city of Goodyear also purchases water from Liberty Utilities, which draws from the same West Salt Valley Sub-Basin aquifer.

The aguifer's depth ranges from 100 to 1,000 feet from the surface. With 12 well sites (four of which include storage tanks) and five booster stations, Goodyear's operating system has a storage capacity of 15.9 million gallons.

#### **Health Information**

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, or to receive a copy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants, call EPA Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The city of Goodyear is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or http://www.epa. gov/safewater/lead.

While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

for an infant, you should ask advice from your health care

Services Department performed a Sanitary Survey of the City of Goodyear water system. The Sanitary Survey includes an evaluation of the following eight items: source; treatment; distribution system; finished water storage; pumps, pump facilities and controls; monitoring, reporting, and data verification; system management and operation; operator compliance with Department requirements. Based on the review of information available, the Department considers the water system to be in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Rule for this date.

#### Fluoride in Drinking Water

This is an alert about your drinking water and a cosmetic dental problem that might affect children under nine years of age. At low levels, fluoride can help prevent cavities, but children drinking water containing more than 2 milligrams per liter (mg/l) of fluoride may develop cosmetic discoloration of their permanent teeth (dental fluorosis). The fluoride in the drinking water provided by the City of Goodyear averages 0.86 mg/l; however one sample had a fluoride concentration of 2.3 mg/l.

Dental fluorosis in its moderate or severe forms, may result in a brown staining and or pitting of the permanent teeth. This problem occurs only in developing teeth, before they erupt from the gums. Children under nine should be provided with alternative sources of drinking water or water that has been treated to remove the fluoride to avoid the possibility of staining and pitting of their permanent teeth. You may also want to contact your dentist about proper use by young children of fluoride-containing products. Older children and adults may safely drink the water.

Drinking water containing more than 4 mg/l of fluoride (the US Environmental Protection Agency's drinking water standard) can increase your risk of developing bone disease. Your drinking water does not contain more than 4 mg/l of

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fluoride, but we're required to notify you when we discover that the fluoride levels in your drinking water exceed 2 mg/l because of this cosmetic dental problem.

For more information, please call Linda Shapcott, Environmental Compliance Supervisor at 623-882-7565. Some home water treatment units are also available to remove fluoride from drinking water. To learn more about available home water treatment units, you may call NSF International at 1-877-8-NSF-HELP.\*

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el aqua usted bebe. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien. Para española 623-882-7511.

#### Water Quality Data Acronym Key:

Use this handy information for the data table on the following pages.

Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MCLG (Maximum Contaminant Level Goal): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MRDL (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

MRDLG (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.

n/a: not applicable

ND: not detected

pCi/l (picocuries per liter)

ppb (parts per billion):

One part substance per billion parts water (or micrograms per liter).

ppm (parts per million):

One part substance per million parts water (or milligrams per liter).



## Pay city bill online?

#### Check email for an important notice!

To improve customer security on the Click2Gov server, the URL has changed to www.goodyearaz.gov/payutilitybill.

www.goodyearaz.gov/payutilitybill.

Any previous bookmarks or stored favorites will no longer work. Also, existing users will need to enter a security question and answer when logging in to the new site for the first time.

An email was sent to all users with instructions on how to validate the account.

For more information, call 623-882-7887.

# County Recorder's Kiosk at Library Provides Convenient Access

No longer will customers of the Maricopa County Recorder's Office have to travel long distances to record their documents or print them out – they simply can go to the newly-opened Goodyear Branch Library, 14455 West Van Buren Street, Suite 101.

The kiosk features methods of assistance at all times for the customers via online and telephone.

On March 23, 2010, the county recorder launched the first recording kiosk in the United States. Since that initial kiosk in Phoenix, she has placed them in Waddell, Anthem, Fountain Hills, Surprise, and Queen Creek.

For more information about the Goodyear Branch Library, call 602-652-3000 or visit www.goodyearaz.gov/library. For more information about the Maricopa County Recorder's Office, visit www.recorder.maricopa.gov.

# **2013 Water Quality Data**

#### City of Goodyear PWS #07-094

				PVV5 #07-094				
regulated substances	units	MCL or MRDL	MCLG or MRDLG	year sampled	running average OR highest value	rar Iow	nge high	violation
disinfectants & disinfecta	nt by-prod	ucts						
Chlorine (as Cl2)	ppm	4	4	2013	0.42	0.08	1.20	no
Haloacetic Acid (HAA5)	ppb	60 80	n/a n/a	2013 2013	3.1	1.1	7.3	no
TTHM's (total trihalomethanes)	ppb				19.0	2.5	39.0	no
inorganics								
Arsenic	ppb	10	0	2013	7.1	4.1	11	no
Nitrate	ppm	10	10	2013	6.5	2.3	9.1	no
Barium	ppm	2	2	2013	0.16	0.017	0.16	no
Sodium (optional)	ppm	n/a	n/a	2013	170	62	170	no
*Fluoride	ppm	4	4	2013	2.3	0.24	2.3	no
Selenium	ppb	50	50	2013	ND	ND	ND	no
Chromium	ppb	100	100	2013	27	7.3	27	no
microbiological								
Total Coliforms	% positive samples	5% positive monthly samples	0	2013	ND	ND	ND	no
volatile organics								
Trichloroethylene	ppb	5	0	2013	1.2	0.93	1.5	no
synthetic organics								
Di (2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	ppb	6	0	2013	ND	ND	ND	no
radionuclides								
Gross Alpha	pCi/l	15	0	2013	7.0+/-1.3	0.4+/-0.3	7.0+/-1.3	no
Combined Radium 226 & 228	pCi/l	5	0	2013	1.3 +/- 0.2	1.3 +/- 0.2	1.3 +/- 0.2	no
Uranium	pCi/l	30	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
					amount	rar	nge	
lead and copper	units	Action Level	MCLG	year sampled	detected 90th percentile	low	high	violation
lead and copper	units ppm		MCLG 1.3	year sampled 2013	detected 90th			violation no

<sup>\*</sup>Goodyear does not fluoridate the drinking water; it is naturally occuring in the groundwater.

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running range year average OR low I high						
year sampled	average OR highest value	low	high	violation	major sources in drinking water	
2013	0.55	0.47	0.59	no	Water additive used to control microbes	
2013	3.0	1.8	5.6	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
2013	17.6	3.7	31.1	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
2013	6.9	4.7	9.0	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoffs from orchards; Runoffs from glass and electronics production wastes	
2013	8.69	3.9	8.69	no	Runoff from fertilizer use;Leaching from septic tanks,sewage; Erosion of natural deposits	
2013	0.083	0.06	0.11	no	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits	
2013	120.2	58	235	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching	
2013	0.89	0.39	1.83	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	
2013	2.5	ND	5	no	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines	
2013	8.7	ND	17	no	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits	
2013	4 of 492	0%	7.50%	all repeat and triggered Groundwater Rule sampling was completed within 24 hours of notification and were Total Coliform absent	Naturally present in the environment	
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	no	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories	
2013	1	ND	1	no	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories	
2013	3.9	3	5.4	no	Erosion of natural deposits	
2013	0.3	ND	0.3	no	Erosion of natural deposits	
2013	5	ND	5	no	Erosion of natural deposits	
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year sampled	amount detected 90th percentile	rar low	nge   high	violation	major sources in drinking water	
2013	0.089	ND	0.39	no	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives	
2013	0.2	ND	7	no	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits	

Goodyear residents north of I-10 receive water services and a Water Quality report from Liberty Utilities.





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# Sign them up for Coodyear's Drop-In Recreation Program!

A supervised program for Kindergarten through 8th-graders.

A variety of fun and educational programs:

Indoor/outdoor activities

Clubs

Games

Mini tournaments

Movies

**Guest instructors** 

\* Field trips (optional)

Copper Trails Elementary School
16875 W Canyon Trails Blvd.
Monday – Friday
June 9 – July 25 (closed July 4)
7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
One-time program fee: \$255 (\$280 non-resident);
or \$50 a week (\$60 non-resident)

Desert Thunder Elementary School
16750 W. Garfield Street
Monday – Friday
June 9 – July 18 (closed July 4)
8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
One-time program fee: \$190 (\$215 non-resident)

\*Optional Field Trip Package: Transportation from/to school locations, t-shirt, and six trips: Sky Zone and lunch, bowling and lunch, Skate Zone Roller Skating and lunch, movies, and two trips to Goodyear Swimming Pool. \$60 (\$75 non-resident)



Back to School Bash, July 26, 2-8 p.m.

In addition to open swim, the city offers swim lessons, swim and dive teams, aqua fit workouts, and pool rentals.

Don't forget about the FREE splash pad at

Goodyear Community Park, open through Oct. 20.

For information, visit www.goodyearaz.gov/rec or call 623-882-7532.